

Railway in Wakasa

Reinan Region, Fukui Prefecture

The best part of riding the Obama Line is the view from its windows. To the east lies the sea near Mihama and the Five Lakes of Mikata, the Kita River, and Obama Bay. Swimming areas stretch along the entire coastline from Wakasa-Wada, and Mt. Aoba slowly comes into view...



Obama Line crossing the Kuroko River Bridge (Tsuruga City)







Tomura Station, opened 1917

Wakasa-Hongo Station[®]

Wakasa-Takahama Station²²

A ride on the Obama Line brings passengers past the Five Lakes of Mikata and Wakasa Bay, through endless fields and forests, and countless other views both soothing and stimulating. Its stations range from the storied Tomura Station (built in 1927) to the modern Wakasa-Hongo and Wakasa-Takahama Stations. After hosting the International Gardening and Greenery Exhibition, the "pinwheel station" used for the conference was relocated, becoming Wakasa-Hongo Station, a beautiful example of modern local railway architecture.



Obama Line through snowy townscapes (Nishisei, Obama City)

Train among the fall leaves (Obama-Asama, Obama City)







Train passing through the fields (viewed from atop Mt. Sanjūsangen



Flowers in bloom along the Obama Line (Goichi, Mihama-cho)



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